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Subject: MLPAComments: strenghtening marine protection areas

Dear Chairman Philip Isenberg and Members of the MLPA Blue Ribbon Task Force:

My wife and I have served as docents at Point Lobos State Reserve for more than twenty years, and we have acted as volunteers at Monterey Bay Aquarium since it opened over twenty years ago. We care greatly for the health of our world's oceans and the creatures living in it.

Please do all you can to increase and expand the protection of our Pacific Ocean and the plants and animals living therein. We understand that Package 2 will offer such increased protection, and we urge you to do all you can to implement it. Marine protection areas will help our fishermen by helping our fish to reproduce and restock adjacent areas both onshore and offshore. We are particularly concerned about expanding such marine protected areas adjacent to Point Lobos State Reserve and the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary, as well as those areas adjacent to the Monterey Canyon.

Thank you for your efforts to save our oceans and the lives of plants and animals therein. Truly, our lives depend on your best efforts.

Sincerely,

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